

**MINUTES
MONTEREY PARK CITY COUNCIL
SUCCESSOR AGENCY (SA)
REGULAR MEETING
MAY 20, 2015**

The City Council of the City of Monterey Park held a Regular Meeting of the Council in the Council Chamber, located at 320 West Newmark Avenue in the City of Monterey Park, Wednesday, May 20, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.

The minutes include items considered by the City Council acting on behalf of the Successor Agency of the former Monterey Park Redevelopment Agency, which dissolved February 1, 2012. Successor Agency matters will include the notation of "SA" next to the Agenda Item Number.

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Liang called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

FLAG SALUTE:

The Monterey Park Police Explorers led the flag salute.

ROLL CALL:

City Clerk Vincent Chang called the roll:

Council Members Present: Lam, Real Sebastian, Ing, Chan, Liang

Council Members Absent: None.

ALSO PRESENT: City Manager Talbot, City Attorney Hensley, City Treasurer Leon, Public Works Director/Assistant Bow, Police Chief Smith, Fire Chief Haberle, Human Resources Director Cody, Community and Economic Development Director Huntley, Management Services Director Thai, Recreation and Community Services Director Costley, City Librarian Arvizu, Controller Yaung, Assistant City Engineer Alfonso, Principal Management Analyst Ho

AGENDA ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, CHANGES AND ADOPTIONS

None.

1. PRESENTATIONS: THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT

Thomas Wong and John Leung, Board of Directors for the San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District presented a PowerPoint Presentation regarding Water Supply and Drought Solutions. This was a discussion item only.

Public Speaker:

- Joe Reichenberger expressed his concerns that water conservation efforts is a short term resolution and encourages the Water Board to look into long term resolutions such as advance waste water recycling and treatment.

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the City of Monterey Park is to provide excellent services to enhance the quality of life for our entire community

ORAL AND WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

- Song Park, on behalf of the Monterey Park Lions Club, extended an invitation to Council and residents to attend the annual Lion Club Breakfast.
- Karissa Glanville, representative of the Monterey Park Chamber of Commerce, announced their upcoming events: the Night Market on July 17 and 18, pre 4th of July Western Barbeque on June 26, and a VA Loan Benefit seminar on May 27.
- Victoria Chavez, former member and founder of the Morelia Sister Cities Association announced that Mayor Salvador Abud Mirabent of Morelia, Mexico extended his invitation to Council to visit Morelia, Mexico on September 30, 2016 to celebrate their 20th anniversary celebration. She also proposed that the City reorganize the Morelia Sister Cities and requested the Council extend an invitation to Mayor Salvador to attend the City's 100th centennial celebration. She presented a book, *Conspiración y Espacios de Libertad*, to council.
- Richard Gorman spoke on behalf of the Monterey Park Library Foundation, announced their annual Gala, The Joy of Reading, scheduled for June 19.
- David Barron spoke regarding water conservation efforts and suggested the City set an example by converting the front lawn of city hall to drought resistant landscaping.
- Joe Reichenberger provided clarification about desalination and exchange entitlements with different agencies for water and encourages the Water Board to seek long term resolutions.

2. SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE FORMER COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY (SA) CONSENT CALENDAR ITEM NOS. 2A

None.

This is the end of Successor Agency (SA) items.

3. CITY OF MONTEREY PARK CONSENT CALENDAR CONSISTS OF ITEM NOS. 3A-3L

Matters listed under consent calendar are considered to be routine, ongoing business and are enacted by one motion unless specified.

Action Taken: The City Council approved and adopted Item Nos. 3A-3L, except for Item Nos. 3C, 3D, 3E, 3F, 3H, 3I, 3J and 3K which were pulled for discussion, and reading resolutions and ordinances by the title only and waiving further reading thereof.

Motion: Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Chan and seconded by Council Member Lam, motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes:	Council Members:	Lam, Real Sebastian, Ing, Chan, Liang
Noes:	Council Members:	None
Absent:	Council Members:	None
Abstain:	Council Members:	None

Action Taken: The City Council approved and adopted Item Nos. 3C, 3D, 3F, 3H and 3I, reading resolutions and ordinances by the title only and waiving further reading thereof.

Motion: Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Chan and seconded by Mayor Liang, motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes:	Council Members:	Lam, Real Sebastian, Ing, Chan, Liang
Noes:	Council Members:	None
Absent:	Council Members:	None
Abstain:	Council Members:	None

3A. WARRANT REGISTER FOR THE CITY OF MONTEREY PARK OF MARCH 4, 2015

It is required that the City Council approve all disbursements. Disbursements will be made from the funds referenced in the attached Resolution in Warrants numbered 304107-304308.

Action Taken: The City Council approved payment of warrants and adopted Resolution No. 11743 allowing certain claims and demands per Warrant Register dated May 20, 2015 totaling \$1,007,053.19 and specifying the funds out of which the same are to be paid on Consent Calendar.

Resolution No. 11743, entitled:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MONTEREY PARK, CALIFORNIA ALLOWING CERTAIN CLAIMS AND DEMANDS PER WARRANT REGISTER DATED 20TH DAY OF MAY 2015 TOTALING \$1,007,053.19 AND SPECIFYING THE FUNDS OUT OF WHICH THE SAME ARE TO BE PAID

3B. INVESTMENT REPORT AS OF APRIL 2015

As of April 30, 2015 invested funds for the City of Monterey Park is \$79,376,239.00.

Action Taken: The City Council received and filed the monthly investment report on Consent Calendar.

3C. APPROVAL OF VENDOR AND SPENDING OF 2014 URBAN AREA SECURITY INITIATIVE GRANT

Under the Urban Area Security Initiative Grant (UASI) 2014, the Los Angeles County Police Chief's Association (LACPCA) agreed to continue its support of the Automated License Plate Reader program (ALPR) throughout Los Angeles County. The Monterey Park Police Department received \$45,000.00 in grant funding through the 2014 UASI grant, which is managed through the City of Los Angeles Mayor's Office, to purchase two (2) ALPR systems.

At the April 15, 2015 City Council meeting, Council approved and accepted, on consent calendar, the grant funding through the 2014 UASI Grant (resolution #11730).

CEQA: Not a "project" that requires environmental review (see specifically CEQA Guidelines § 15378(b)(2-5).

Action Taken: The City Council (1) approved Sole Source Vendor purchase for two (2) Mobile Alternative License Plate Reader (ALPR) Systems; and (2) approved expenditure of Grant Funding in the amount of \$45, 000.00 from the 2014 UASI Grant from the City of Los Angeles on Consent Calendar.

3D. 2015 LUNAR NEW YEAR CELEBRATION

The City's Seventeenth Annual Lunar New Year Celebration was held on February 7th and 8th, 2015. This year's event expanded an additional 2 blocks, covering East Garvey Avenue in the downtown area; starting at Alhambra Ave. and traveling west to Ramona Ave. The expansion to a total of 7 blocks featured over 250 vendors and two performance stages.

The 2015 Lunar New Year Event's total revenue equaled \$401,777 and receipts for expenditures equaled \$389,383, with a net profit of \$12,393.

As part of the City's 100th anniversary celebration and the Year of the Monkey, the City of Monterey Park, the city's Business Improvement District Advisory committee (BIDAC) and World Journal Los Angeles, LLC will again collaborate to produce one of the largest Lunar New Year events in the San Gabriel Valley on January 30th and 31st, 2016.

Discussion: Council Member Real Sebastian directed staff to express to World Journal Los Angeles, LLC, the Council's concerns regarding a large portion of the money for advertisement going back to the promoter, in future events.

Action Taken: The City Council received and filed 2015 Lunar New Year Financial Statement on Consent Calendar.

3E. NIGHT MARKET - CHANGE TO TWO DAY EVENTS

In May 2014 the City Council initially approved a proposal by the Monterey Park Chamber of Commerce to hold a 'Night Market' be held on the third Friday of each month at Barnes Park, in conjunction with the established Farmers' Market. The 'Night Market' featured entertainment, ethnic & fusion foods, shopping opportunities, and art & games, with most of the activities taking place at the ball diamond and Amphitheatre.

The Chamber of Commerce worked with local marketing company KCM to handle event logistics and publicity; the Chamber was responsible for paying all necessary fees and staffing costs involved in the event. The Chamber and KCM successfully held five Night Markets at Barnes Park, ending in November; the organizers felt holding the event during the colder months of December, January and February would not be a viable option.

Further analysis of the revenue and expenditures has led to the request to conduct the market on two consecutive dates twice during the year - this would reduce rental fees, inspection fees, permits, etc., while keeping marketing costs the same and more than doubling up on the hours of the event - the Friday hours would remain 5:30 to 10:30 p.m., while the Saturday hours would be 2:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. The longer hours would also be more enticing to many of the vendors, ensuring a wide variety of booths. This would give the community more opportunities to come out to enjoy the event.

Action Taken: The City Council allowed the Monterey Park Night Market to operate two events on two consecutive days - the first event July 17th and 18th and the second on October 23rd and 24th at Barnes Park was amended to approve the Monterey Park Night Market to operate one event on two consecutive days scheduled for July 17th and 18th; and to bring back the matter for Council's review and approval of the second event scheduled for October.

Motion: Moved by Mayor Liang and seconded by Council Member Ing, motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes:	Council Members:	Lam, Real Sebastian, Ing, Chan, Liang
Noes:	Council Members:	None
Absent:	Council Members:	None
Abstain:	Council Members:	None

RECESSED AND RECONVENED

The City Council recessed at 9:30 p.m. and reconvened with all council members present at 9:39 p.m.

3F. METROPOLITAN TRANSIT AUTHORITY TRANSIT ACCESS PASS CARD PURCHASES - INCREASE OF PURCHASE ORDER ABOVE \$25,000

The City sells Transit Access Pass cards (TAP cards) at Langley Center, which gives senior residents the opportunity to utilize the Metropolitan Transit Authority System. The City provides a \$3.00 subsidy each month - residents are charged \$14.00 to 'load' their card for the month and then the City pays the MTA \$17.00. The fees charged to the residents accounts for 82% of the cost.

A procedural change took place, with the City now sending the money directly to the MTA; formerly, the money that was collected at Langley was sent to the Friends of the Seniors non-profit organization, which then forwarded the money to the MTA. The new process eliminates a step that is no longer necessary, but it will increase the total amount of money paid to MTA to approximately \$35,000. CEQA: Not a "project" that requires environmental review (see specifically CEQA Guidelines § 15378(b)(2-5).

Action Taken: The City Council approved an increase of the purchase order to the Metropolitan Transit Authority to \$35,000 to cover the additional purchase of Transit Access Pass cards for the remainder of Fiscal Year 2014-2015 (Account number 0109-801-6511-41200) on Consent Calendar.

3G. ACKLEY DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS

On February 18, 2015 the City Council awarded a contract to Gentry Brothers, Inc. in the amount of \$115,015 for the Ackley Drainage Improvements. The Council also authorized a ten percent contingency (\$11,500) for any unforeseen construction changes for a total funding allocation of \$126,515. The project included the reconstruction of the curb & gutter on the east and west sides of Ackley Street and reconstruction of adjacent driveways and cross-gutters at San Patricio and Arroyo Drives. In addition, four new ADA curb ramps were constructed and the street was repaved to match the new gutter elevations. The project is now complete, and the work has been inspected and approved by the Public Works Department.

Pursuant to City Council Resolution No. 1 1701, the Public Works Director recorded the Notice of Completion for this project on May 14, 2015 (the "NOC").

The final cost of the project was \$128,715.75, which included \$13,700.75 in change order work necessitated by field conditions encountered during construction. The change order work included additional roadway removals, grading and asphalt paving, in order to match the new gutter elevations with milder street cross-slope. CEQA: Not a "project" that requires environmental review (see specifically CEQA Guidelines § 15378(b)(2-5)).

Action Taken: The City Council (1) received the Notice of Completion recorded by the Public Works Director on May 14, 2015 accepting the Ackley Drainage Improvements completed by Gentry Brothers, Inc.; and (2) authorized the allocation of an additional \$2,300 in Measure R Funds to cover the final cost of the project on Consent Calendar.

3H. PREFERENTIAL PARKING DISTRICTS

The City Council should consider including additional preferential parking districts to the existing permit parking system. The Traffic Commission has reviewed and recommends approval of these districts.

Over the last several years, the City established permit parking areas on several neighborhood streets at the request of the residents of those streets. Resolution No. 10931 establishes such parking districts. The Traffic Commission, at its regular meeting of January 2015 and March 2015, recommended that several additional preferential parking districts be added. To ensure implementation of these preferential parking districts, it is recommended that the City Council amend Resolution No. 11634 to confirm that the City may properly enforce the permitting system in these districts. If adopted, the draft resolution would add the following districts pursuant to Vehicle Code § 22507:

7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., Monday through Friday

- l) Collegian Avenue, (west side) First Street to end of cul de sac;
- m) Gladmar Avenue, Collegian Avenue to Sherbrook Street;
- n) Sherbrook Street, Gladmar Avenue to First Street;

No other changes are recommended.

CEQA: Not a "project" that requires environmental review (see specifically CEQA Guidelines § 15378(b)(2-5).

Action Taken: The City Council adopted Resolution No. 11744 to include additional streets to the preferential parking districts as amended to change the dates from May 6, 2015 to May 20, 2015 on Consent Calendar.

Resolution No. 11744, entitled:

A RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION NOS. 10931 AND 11634 REGARDING PREFERENTIAL PARKING AREAS WITHIN THE CITY WHERE PARKING PERMITS MAY BE USED IN ACCORDANCE WITH VEHICLE CODE § 22507

3I. APPROVAL OF METROLINK STATION JOINT EXERCISE OF POWERS AGREEMENT

The Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement (JPA) with the County of Los Angeles, City of Los Angeles, City of Alhambra and California State University of Los Angeles (CSULA) to provide for operation and maintenance of the CSULA Metrolink Station terminates on September 30, 2015. To continue the operation of the Station, the execution of a new Agreement is needed. CEQA: Not a "project" that requires environmental review (see specifically CEQA Guidelines § 15378(b)(2-5).

Discussion: Council Member Real Sebastian requested that the Cal State Los Angeles Metrolink Station Authority agendas and minutes be forwarded to Council.

Action Taken: The City Council authorized the City Manager to execute the Metrolink Joint Powers Agreement, in a form approved by the City Attorney on Consent Calendar.

3J. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO ADOPT A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR CITY CONTRACTS AND DELEGATING AUTHORITY FOR INSURANCE DETERMINATIONS TO THE CITY MANAGER, OR DESIGNEE

For City Council consideration is a resolution establishing insurance requirements for City contracts and permits. Among other things, the resolution establishes general guidelines for insurance policy limits, forms, and risk categories. In addition, the resolution authorizes the City Manager, or Director of Human Resources and Risk Management (the City's "Risk Manager"), to implement the resolution and determine insurance requirements in specific circumstances in consultation with the City Attorney.

The proposed resolution would memorialize the City's ongoing insurance policies regarding risk transfer. It has been the City's policy to provide fair and consistent policies to protect the City's interests. There are instances, however, where the City's ability to efficiently process contracts and permits (for ease of reference, this staff report refers to both contracts and permits as "contracts") is hampered by the lack of City Council guidance as to insurance. If adopted, this resolution would give such direction and allow the City to fairly allocate risk while also timely processing contracts

and permits. CEQA: Not a "project" that requires environmental review (see specifically CEQA Guidelines § 15378(b)(2-5).

Action Taken: This item was continued to the next council meeting.

Motion: Moved by Mayor Liang and seconded by Council Member Real Sebastian, motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes:	Council Members:	Lam, Real Sebastian, Ing, Chan, Liang
Noes:	Council Members:	None
Absent:	Council Members:	None
Abstain:	Council Members:	None

3K. RESOLUTION REGARDING SUSPENSION OF CERTAIN BUSINESS LICENSE TAXES; EXTENSION OF AMNESTY PROGRAM; AND REQUIRING VENDORS ATTENDING CITY SPONSORED EVENTS TO PAY BUSINESS LICENSE TAXES

On March 18, 2015, the City Council reviewed the MPMC's regulations regarding business license taxes. Based upon that review, the City Council found that some parts of the MPMC were unclear and that the business license tax regulations should be suspended. As expressed by the City Council, the public interest is best served by providing direction to the City's tax collectors regarding how to implement the MPMC. CEQA: Not a "project" that requires environmental review (see specifically CEQA Guidelines § 15378(b)(2-5).

Action Taken: The City Council adopted Resolution No. 11745 suspending business license taxes for certain persons; extending an amnesty program as to penalties; and requiring vendors attending City sponsored events to pay business license tax as amended to delete Section 1D which stated "While paying a business license fee is required by the MPMC, the City recognizes that many businesses may not comply with the law through inadvertence rather than intentional avoidance;" and to add Section 3D which states "The City Manager, or designee, may also waive penalties for persons who obtain a business license or home occupation beyond sixty (60) days after receiving notice from the City for good cause shown. For example, and without limitation, good cause might include a principal's extended absence from the City's jurisdiction; illness; or other circumstance beyond the person's reasonable control," which will allow the city to notify businesses that have been potentially out of compliance, that there will be a 60 days period to resolve any issues without any penalties.

Motion: Moved by Mayor Liang and seconded by Council Member Real Sebastian, motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes:	Council Members:	Lam, Real Sebastian, Ing, Chan, Liang
Noes:	Council Members:	None
Absent:	Council Members:	None
Abstain:	Council Members:	None

Resolution No. 11745, entitled:

A RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE MONTEREY PARK CITY COUNCIL SUSPENDING THE IMPOSITION OF BUSINESS LICENSE TAXES WITH REGARD TO CERTAIN BUSINESS ACTIVITIES; EXTENDING AN AMNESTY PROGRAM TO JUNE 30, 2015; AND REQUIRING VENDORS AT CITY EVENTS TO COMPLY IN ALL RESPECTS WITH BUSINESS LICENSE TAX REQUIREMENTS

3L. RESOLUTION DECLARING MAY 2015 WATER AWARENESS MONTH

Recognizing May as Water Awareness Month is particularly important this year as the State remains in a serious drought. Precipitation, snow pack and reservoir and groundwater levels are all lower than average. Public awareness of the dire conditions is the first step to meeting water conservation goals in order to ensure continuing water supply. CEQA: Not a "project" that requires environmental review (see specifically CEQA Guidelines § 15378(b)(2-5).

Action Taken: The City Council adopted Resolution No. 11745 declaring May 2015 as Water Awareness Month on Consent Calendar.

Resolution No. 11746, entitled:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF MONTEREY PARK DECLARING MAY 2015 WATER AWARENESS MONTH

4. PUBLIC HEARING

4A. ORDINANCE AMENDING THE MONTEREY PARK MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING MASSAGE THERAPY BUSINESSES

The proposed ordinance would amend the Monterey Park Municipal Code ("MPMC") to restore limited land use regulation over massage establishments. This action was prompted by the recent enactment of AB 1147 which amended the California Business and Professions Code regulations as to massage establishments and authorized cities to, once again, exercise land use regulation over massage establishments.

Discussion: The Council directed staff to conduct a survey on the existing massage establishments and bring back a report at a later date for council's direction.

Action Taken: The City Council (1) opened the public hearing at 10:18 p.m.; took documentary and testimonial evidence and considered the draft ordinance; closed the public hearing at 10:43 p.m.; and (2) introduced and waived first reading of the ordinance and scheduled second reading and adoption for June 3, 2015, was amended to schedule second reading and adoption for June 17, 2015.

Motion: Moved by Mayor Liang and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Chan, motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Council Members: Lam, Real Sebastian, Ing, Chan, Liang
Noes: Council Members: None
Absent: Council Members: None
Abstain: Council Members: None

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:
None.

6. NEW BUSINESS

6A. REGULATING WATER USAGE ORDINANCE

In response to regulations being promulgated by the State Water Resources Control Board (at the direction of the Governor), staff reviewed the City's existing water regulations. The draft ordinance would bring the MPMC into compliance with existing requirements of the Public Utilities Code as to utility billing and also add new regulations needed to address the State's emergency drought conditions. Adopting the ordinance will assist in the City's effort in attaining the mandated conservation goals and provide the tools necessary to provide timely feedback to all water consumers within the City's service boundaries.

Action Taken: This item was continued to the next council meeting.

7. COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS AND MAYOR/COUNCIL AND AGENCY MATTERS

The Council Members reported that they all attended International Council of Shopping Center (ICSC), Global Retail Real Estate Convention in Las Vegas, Nevada. Council Member Lam reminded residents of the Lions Breakfast. Council Member Real Sebastian announced the American Legion first Art Exhibition event scheduled for May 31 - June 2 and the next Beautification event scheduled for June 20 at Edison Trail Park. Council Member Ing congratulated the first History In Motion contest winners: first place winner of \$500, Hillcrest Elementary; second place winner of \$250, Repetto Elementary; third place winner, Ynez Elementary; and the participating schools of Brightwood Elementary and Monterey Highlands received \$100. Mayor Pro Tem Chan reported that he will miss the next Council meeting, because he has to attend a meeting in Hong Kong regarding Fire and Police Departments Exchange programs. Mayor Liang announced that he attended the Los Angeles County Asian American Employee Associations who sponsored the Asian Pacific American Heritage Month celebration and the City's Public Works Week event at the city yard. He said he will miss the next Council meeting, because he will be in Asia visiting a couple of the sister cities and sign some Letters Of Intent to form friendship cities with additional cities in China.

By consensus of the Council, the regularly scheduled council meeting of June 3, 2015 was cancelled. The next regularly scheduled council meeting is June 17, 2015.

8. **CLOSED SESSION**

None.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business for consideration, the meeting was adjourned at 10:53 p.m.



Vincent D. Chang
City Clerk